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Sir:

Please provide the undersigned with a statement of the status of the above-identified patent application and the approximate date in which an Action can be expected. This application was filed November 14, 2003 and the Official Filing Receipt has been received. To date, the undersigned has not received an Office Action.

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